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[Via e-mail]  
The Honorable [\_\_\_\_]  
United States Congress  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear [\_\_\_\_]:

We work with the German State of Rheinland-Pfalz, which, as you know, is home to several U.S. military bases. I would be grateful if you would be willing to meet with Deputy Minister President Karl Bruch during his upcoming visit February 28th – March 2nd 2011.

Deputy Minister Bruch would like to brief you [in your position as \_\_\_\_\_].

Rheinland-Pfalz has been a great partner of the U.S. in coordinating development plans and burden-sharing at the U.S. bases in their State, including improving the training facilities and enhancing the favorable living conditions for the American troops in Rheinland-Pfalz. Rheinland-Pfalz wants to continue to be an active host region for the US forces based there, including maintaining and strengthening US installations and their environs, and providing a comfortable home away from home for US families.

Deputy Minister Bruch would like to discuss the latest developments concerning: 1) the decision for future stationing of BCTs in Europe; 2) plans for relocating or adding installations in the region; 3) the German's plans for enhancement of the base at Baumholder (an enduring base which is of great importance to the state of Rheinland-Pfalz) and 4) how Rheinland-Pfalz can support new plans for Spangdahlem Air Base and the new Landstuhl hospital.

Rheinland-Pfalz treasures its long history with and commitment to U.S. forces based in the state. Please let me know if you need any additional information, and I look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,

**DLA Piper LLP (US)**

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